#### **International Park**

Feasibility Study

City Council Meeting October 4, 2016





#### Presentation Outline

- Background
- Existing Conditions
- Evaluation Process
- Community Outreach
- Findings



## Background

- Milpitas is a highly diverse community.
- City Council approved a feasibility study as to the location of an International Park.
- Tom Evatt Park was identified as the preferred location.
- Callander Associates was contracted in fall 2015 to conduct a feasibility study.



# **Existing Conditions**

- Tom Evatt Park is located in Midtown on SFPUC ROW.
- 0.4 acre portion east of S. Main Street was evaluated.





# **Existing Conditions**

- Existing park uses are passive: seating, turf, pavement.
- Existing uses don't comply with current SFPUC regulations.









#### **Evaluation Process**

- Conduct site reconnaissance
- Review background information
- Community meeting #1 in December 2015 with approximately 6 people in attendance
- Develop conceptual designs
- Community meeting #2 in February 2016 with approximately 20 people in attendance
- Develop alternate designs
- SFPUC meeting in April 2016





## Community Meeting #1 Input











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- Integrate and celebrate different cultures
- Spaces should allow for flexibility in use but permanency and equality of displays
- Park should allow for future expansion and addition of cultural displays by new groups
- Park should be unique with the potential to become a destination
- The park can support cultural education
- Contemplative space should be provided
- A gathering space should be provided; large events would be held elsewhere
- The site should be walkable and bikeable to encourage visitation; onsite parking is not needed



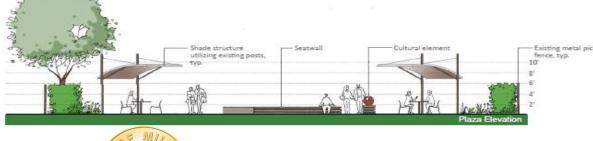
## Community Meeting #2 Input



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- Tom Evatt Park is too small
- The space allocated for individual cultural displays should be much larger
- The overall proportion of the cultural display area in relation to other park uses should be larger
- A shared flagpole should be provided to allow a group to display their national flag at different times of the year, for different events
- Flexibility in spatial design to allow for temporary shade structures and other elements is desirable
- An electronic board could provide additional shared, flexible, and changing displays



# SFPUC Meeting Input

- Staff from land management, water, real estate, and attorney's offices
- Conceptual plan would not be permitted under current SFPUC policies
- Maximum allowed footing depth prohibits all vertical elements
- 80% of site would be restricted



## Alternate Sites





TOM EVATT PARK

STARLITE PARK







# Findings

- Tom Evatt Park is NOT a feasible site
- Starlite Park and S. Main Street corridor selected for further evaluation



## Starlite Park







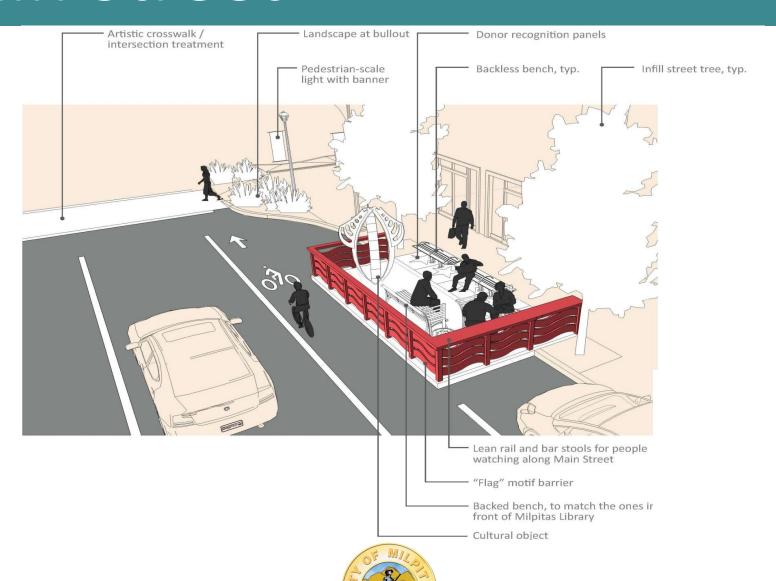










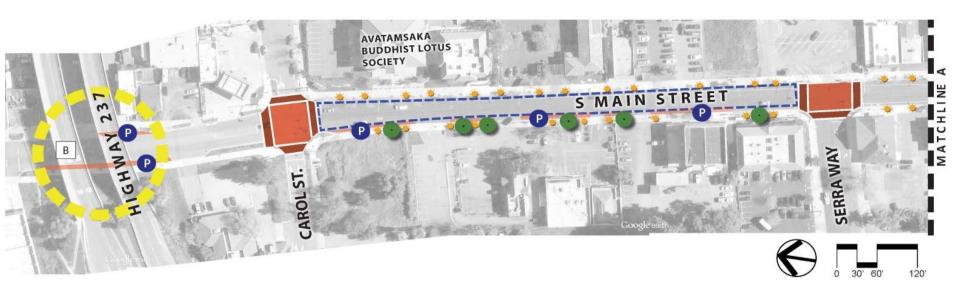
















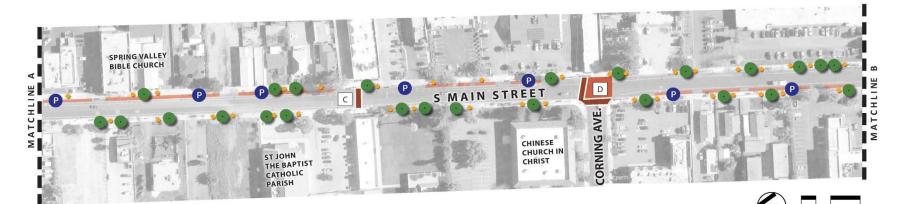




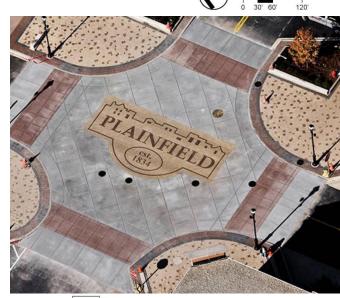
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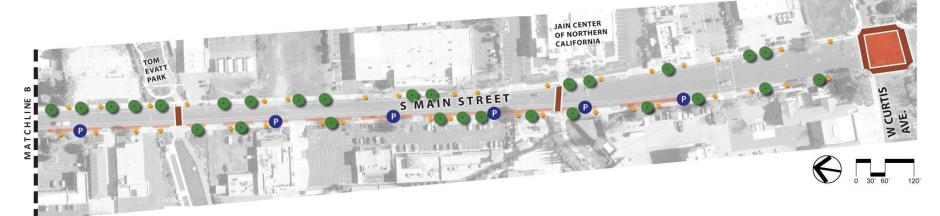




C CROSSWALK TREATMENT

D ARTISTIC INTERSECTION TREATMENT











F PEDESTRIAN LIGHT





# Implementation

- Starlite Park
  - Project Cost: \$1,019,000
  - Design Schedule: Nov. 2016 to June 2018
- Main Street
  - Project Cost: \$3,563,000
  - Design Schedule: Nov. 2016 to May 2019





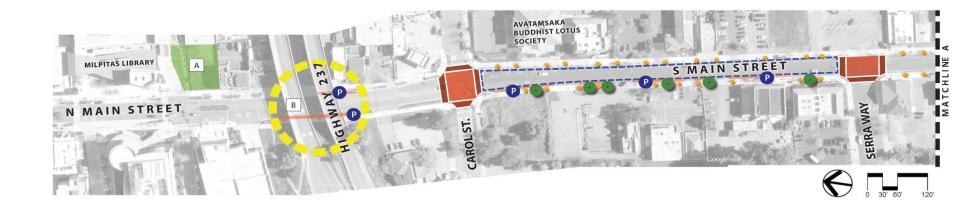
 Direct staff to pursue the Main Street Parklet location and design concept in tandem with the Midtown Street Light Project.



















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GATEWAY PARK

